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Potential Bidders:

ADDENDUM NO. 3 Invitation for Bid No. 79190-72 March 7, 2003

This addendum modifies the initial solicitation document package entitled "IFB 79190-72 - Laboratory Analytical Services" as follows:

- 1. Page 1, Section A, Purpose and Description of Services, second paragraph is amended to include: For your bid to be considered, the overall total bid amount cannot exceed \$99,999.99.
- 2. Page 1, Section A, Purpose and Description of Services, last paragraph is amended to read, "The contracted laboratory may subcontract to other laboratories, within California, up to a maximum of 35 percent, excluding toxicity analyses and radiological analyses. The toxicity analyses and the radiological analyses may also be subcontracted out, but are not subject to the 35 percent limitation."
- 3. Page 3, Section C. Requirements and Information, 1) Time Schedule, Bid Deadline Submission is extended to March 31, 2003 at 5p.m. **Note:** The bid submission date <u>may</u> be extended without notification if less than two bids are received. Upon receipt of two bids, those who responded to the solicitation will be notified.
- 4. Page 24, Exhibit A, Scope of Work, Item No. 2, second sentence is amended to read: "The Contractor must be located within 20 miles, <u>or have an alternative location for the delivery of samples (alternative drop-off site referred to as ADS) within 20 miles of the Regional Board office located ...".</u>
- 5. Page 24, Exhibit A, Work To Be Performed, Section, A, Logistics and Transfer of Samples is amended to include a new paragraph that reads: Laboratory personnel will retrieve and transport all samples collected by the Regional Board staff. Samples from the Regional Board must be retrieved by laboratory personnel trained in appropriate sample handling, preservation, and transportation procedures and protocol. If an ADS is proposed, the ADS must be staffed by laboratory personnel trained in appropriate sample handling, preservation, and transportation procedures and protocol. In practice, the Regional Board staff may deliver samples to the laboratory or the ADS if one is proposed. Contractor will handle the shipping of containers to the Regional Board and the shipment of samples back to the laboratory.

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- 6. Page 24, Exhibit A, Work To Be Performed, Section, A, Logistics and Transfer of Samples is amended to read: The Contractor or ADS must be available to pick-up and/or receive samples from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday (except State holidays), and at special times mutually agreed upon by the Contractor and the SWRCB Project Representative. Samples may be delivered or shipped to the Contractor's laboratory by the SWRCB Project Representative without prior notice. The number of samples submitted at any time may vary. Under normal circumstances, the SWRCB Project Representative shall arrange delivery or shipment of samples to the laboratory or ADS at no expense to the Contractor.
- 7. Laboratory Schedule of Costs Tables, pages A-1 through A-30, has been revised extensively, thereby creating an additional page (A-31).

All questions and answers during the bid process will be documented and responses will be distributed to all bidders by mail, e-mail, or posted to the internet website no later than March 26, 2003, 5:00 p.m.

Note: March 19, 2003 will be the last day for any questions to be asked and/or received. The SWRCB will be bound by written responses only to questions regarding this IFB.

Bidders are to remove existing pages 1, 3, 24 and A-1 through A-30 of the subject IFB, and insert Addendum No. 3, pages 1, 3, 24, 24.1, and A-1 through A-31 in place thereof in order for your bid to be considered responsive.

Note that completed bids must be submitted to this office by March 31, 2003, no later than 5 p.m.

End of Addenda No. 3

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